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Dear Service Station Operator:

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) staff is collecting cost information on in-station diagnostics (ISD) for vapor recovery systems to verify that ISD is cost-effective in reducing gasoline vapor emissions. We are requesting all facility operators with ISD to help us by completing the attached survey so that we might obtain accurate estimates of real-world costs. The results of the study will be used to assess whether the ISD exemption level of 600,000 gallons/yr is appropriate, or should be revised.

Note that any information you provide will be treated as confidential data. Our plan is to report the survey data in summary form so that no data specific to any individual facility or company will be published. Station operators may wish to delegate completion of the survey to the contractor(s) who performed the ISD installation, or other contractors or vendors who have the detailed ISD cost information for their facility.

For your information, ARB staff is conducting a separate study to evaluate in-use performance of ISD systems. The ISD In-Use Evaluation Protocol is available on our vapor recovery webpage at www.arb.ca.gov/vapor/vapor.htm. Please contact Alex Santos at asantos@arb.ca.gov or (916) 324-1003 if you would like more information on the ISD in-use evaluation project.

The project plan and schedule for this cost-effectiveness review is enclosed. We would appreciate return of the survey within a month of receipt of this letter (or by no later than August 25, 2006) in the envelope provided or via fax at (916) 322-2444. Please contact Cindy Castronovo at ccastron@arb.ca.gov or (916) 322-8957 if you would have questions or comments on this survey or the ISD cost-effectiveness review process.

Thank you in advance for your help!

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.

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